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## CAMPUS



### ▼ COMMENCEMENT—

Graduation will be held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in front of Old Main. People wishing to attend are encouraged to bring lawn chairs to sit on due to limited seating. In case of rain, graduation will be held in Knights Gymnasium. Guests with tickets will be admitted between 12:15 and 1:20 p.m. After 1:20, others wishing to attend may fill in all available seating.

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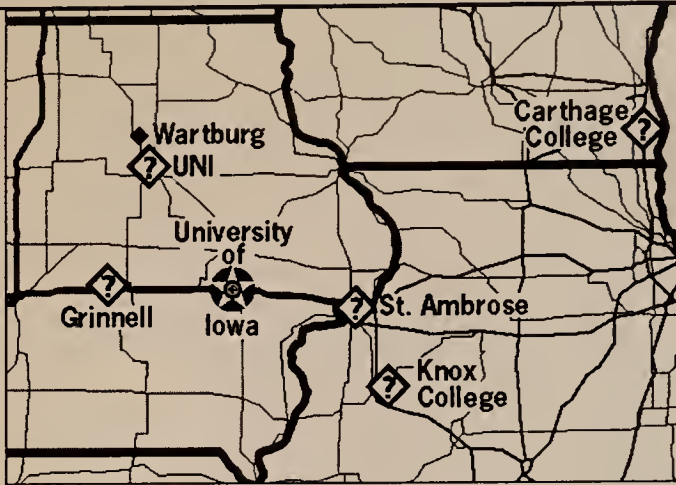
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# Rapes result in policy change

**Tracking the Trail**—Vincent Chant, a traveling comedian, was arrested Tuesday and is being charged for incidents of rape in Iowa City, Omaha and California. He was linked to the three incidents by DNA testing. He has yet to be linked to the cases at Grinnell College, Knox College,



Graphic by David Schwake

Carthage College, St. Ambrose College and the University of Northern Iowa. The graphic shows the recent areas that have reported rape that may be related to the serial rapes.

*Wartburg has stepped up security in the past few weeks due to a midwest serial rapist scare.*

by Aaron Loan  
News Editor

Students can breath a short sigh of relief now that the person believed to be the Midwest serial rapist has been arrested.

Precautions are continued to be taken on Wartburg campus to ensure students' safety from off campus attackers.

"The incidents at Grinnell (college) and UNI (University of Northern Iowa) and at the request of a concerned individual helped us to make the decision to change the residence hall codes and to lock them up earlier," said Dean of Students Lex Smith.

In addition to the Residence lock changes, security officers were provided a detailed description and profile of the

accused when the rapist was still at large. Campus alert flyers were hung around campus also reminding students to keep their personal safety in mind.

Also, because of renewed interest, the student escort service will probably be re-established next fall, said Smith.

Smith didn't know how long the changes to the residence hall locks would be in effect. He wants to differ to the recommendations of Wartburg's Student Senate.

Academic Ombudsperson Beth Klein said she has heard both sides of the argument for continuing for the early lock-up, but she could not speak on behalf of the entire Senate since it had not been discussed in an official meeting yet.

"I think (the doors) being locked is a pretty good idea considering all the rapes and such around here," commented Klein, when asked her own personal feelings.

Vincent Chant, the accused rapist in three cases, has yet to be linked to the UNI or Grinnell cases.

by Aaron Loan  
News Editor

The harassment policy found in future Wartburg Student Handbooks will soon differ from the one found in this year's handbook.

"I think there's some room for clarification," said Dean of Students Lex Smith.

The college is planning on proposing a few changes in the policy to the college attorney over the summer, according to Smith.

Some suggestions could include an entirely separate policy for students, coinciding with the overall policy that covers everyone now.

Students and administration alike are also concerned about the time it takes to get through the procedures of filing complaints and making charges.

Continuing issues of what information should be made public in a harassment case and if the accused person should be allowed to stay on campus while the charging process is taking place, will continue to be debated and be written into the new policy.

Smith says that the issues were brought to his attention and discussed thoroughly in two meetings with people who have gone through the process in the last two years and at the open forum held on the harassment policy.

The two biggest concerns at the forum were the timeliness of the procedures and the ability of the college to relay information to the student body concerning cases of harassment.

Student Life staff cannot notify the student community of who is charged and other related facts due to the Family Educational Right to Privacy Act, according to Smith.

"It's hard to determine what information is appropriate to release because of this act.

## Hearings continue concerning thefts

by Annette Everding  
News Editor

Judicial Board hearings are still in progress for four Wartburg College students charged with theft of Computer Service equipment, according to Dean of Students Lex Smith.

Smith said seniors Brad Guyer and Matt Miller, junior Jim Davis and sophomore Chris Wenthold have completed the first phase of the hearings on allegations of theft.

The four students were charged with varying degrees of theft on April 17, according to the Waverly Police Department. During the two-month investigation, approximately 50 pieces of Computer Service equipment were recovered, police officials said.

Now that the students have been charged with theft of Computer Service equipment, the college is also investigating their behavior.

Smith, Associate Dean of Students Pete Armstrong and Greg Allen, head of the Judicial Board, said they could not comment on whether or not the students were

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# Illegal phone calls matched with both past and present students

by Annette Everding  
News Editor

Wartburg College has been hard at work, matching phone number after phone number in hopes of finding those students who did not take amnesty.

Now the college is in the process of talking to each individual student who may have made an illegal phone call, according to Lex Smith, dean of students.

In early January, Mike Book, vice president of administration and finance, found a significant amount of personal phone calls being placed using college Personal Identification Numbers (PINs).

These PINs had been assigned to students working in the Admissions and Development departments to make business calls.

These calls added up to \$52,000 over 17 months.

The college gave a 10-day amnesty period to those students wishing to come forward.

If the students admitted they had made phone calls their only punishment

would be to pay for the calls they had made.

After the amnesty period was completed, 130 students had turned themselves in, leaving many unmatched phone calls.

Now after weeks of matching numbers with the college's phone company, the college has matched phone calls with students, according to Smith.

**"We're going to start out optimistically that people will be cooperative."**

—Lex Smith  
dean of students

Smith said those students on campus have been contacted and are now in the process of meeting with him one-on-one to discuss the allegations against them.

Many graduates and students no

longer attending Wartburg have also been implicated in making phone calls. Smith said these people have yet to be contacted.

"We're going to start out optimistically that people will be cooperative," he said.

Students who have received a letter saying they made a phone call can appeal it, Smith said.

A student must bring in adequate documentation to prove he/she did not make the phone calls and the matter will be closed, according to Smith.

There is a possibility, according to Smith, that some students did not make the phone calls they are charged with.

One Wartburg student has already been cleared of making any illegal phone calls.

The student said she received a letter in the mail saying the college believed

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## Punishment yet to be decided

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allowed to attend May Term classes at this point, due to confidentiality. Guyer said he did not wish to comment on it, and Wenthold said he had not been told he couldn't go to his May Term class. Miller and Davis could not be reached for comment.

**"Because it is so late in the year the conduct board is not meeting, so they [the students] are talking with executives."**

—Greg Allen  
head of the Judicial Board

Since the filing of the charges the students have begun the process of college hearings.

During phase-one of a judicial hearing, a report is filed with Armstrong.

This report contains allegations made against the student concerning a violation of student conduct, according to Armstrong.

Armstrong said he then sends a letter to the student telling him/her what the allegations are and when they took place. In the letter, the student is told what policy he/she has violated according to the student handbook.

The student then has the option of

going in front of the student judicial board or having an administrative hearing.

Students do not always have the option of choosing what type of hearing they have, depending on what policy they have violated.

Armstrong and Smith said they could not say if the students were meeting with a student judicial board or having an administrative hearing.

According to Allen, the students are not currently meeting with a conduct board.

"Because it is so late in the year the conduct board is not meeting, so they [the students] are talking with executives," Allen said.

The next step in the process is for the college to hold a hearing, which is done with or without the response of the student, according to Armstrong. He said the hearing gives the student a chance to respond to the allegations made against him/her.

During this time the student "can explain the mitigating circumstances surrounding the violation," Armstrong said.

The student is also able to bring in people to support him/her and help with the student's explanation.

A decision is then made on what appropriate action should be taken against the student in response the policy violation.

Both Smith and Armstrong said they were not able to comment on the punishment of the students, due to the fact the hearings are still in progress.

## Students not taking amnesty get letters about connection in calls

### Phone calls

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she had made a phone call using a college PIN.

The student said she went in to talk to Smith and took an old phone bill with her.

She had received a bill at the beginning of the year with over \$100 worth of phone calls. The student said she did not make the calls and contacted the phone company about the additional charges.

She said the call she allegedly made was one on her phone bill that had never been made by her.

The bill and her contact with the company were enough proof to get her off the hook she said.

It is possible other students also will be told they do not have to pay for calls they were charged with.

Smith said if they do not find all the students that made the phone calls, the college will have to pay the rest of the bill.

This would be a disadvantage to everyone, he said, because it would take away funding from programs and services.

To keep this from happening again the college has taken steps to ensure students cannot make personal phone calls with college PINs.

"We have implemented a number of internal controls related to phone codes," Book said. "To insure that the controls are effective, we are not releasing any information to the public."

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Is student mail safe at Wartburg?

## Damaged mail received by Wartburg student

by Lisa Swab  
Staff Writer

While most students receive mail every day in normal condition, one junior discovered the mail she received had been tampered with.

According to Pete Armstrong, director of residential life, the student reported that when she received her renewal credit cards in the mail on May 7, the envelope clearly had been tampered with.

The credit cards were inside the envelope, but Armstrong said she was not sure if everything else Citibank Mastercard had included in the envelope was still there.

The envelope was postmarked May 2, so "there was not an unusual gap of time," he said.

Citibank Mastercard was notified immediately, and the account was cancelled.

The student is suspicious of one charge that she does not remember making, said Armstrong.

Armstrong turned the case over to the Waverly police department.

"It is just under investigation at this point. We really don't know much. We are doing follow-up," said Bob Gaston of the Waverly Police Department.

He said that the police do not know anything concrete yet. He did not want to say anything further because he didn't want to get someone's hopes up.

Identifying people in this type of situation is hard because of the significant number of people that handle the mail from point to point.

It could be someone from the postal service, the college mailroom or anyone else, according to Armstrong.

Two instances similar to this have occurred this year in Waverly, but the person was not able to be located, said Gaston.

She is the only report this year with

"that kind of problem," said Armstrong.

Unfortunately, this type of thing has happened before in past years, said Armstrong. Never have the criminals been identified conclusively.

"Tampering with mail is always a concern," said Armstrong. But students should not be overly concerned.

He said that if students are suspicious of their mail they should notify the mailroom immediately.

Mailroom procedures have been modified recently, but not directly in response to this, said Armstrong. Karen Funk, mail room supervisor chose not to comment.

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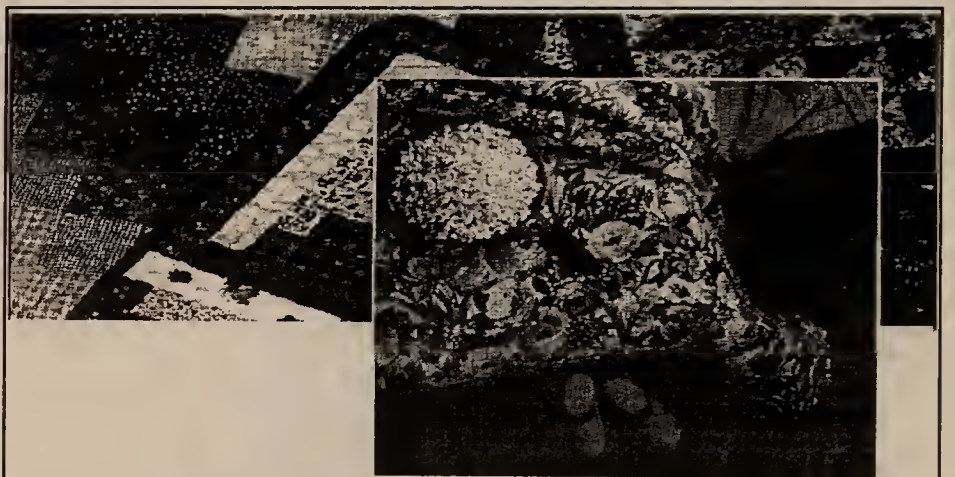
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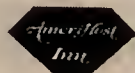
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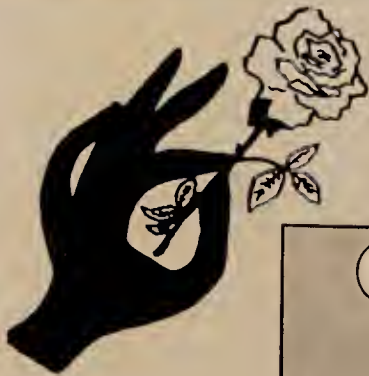
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## Editorial

Leave the past,  
look to the future

As the year comes to a close and seniors are reflecting on their four (or five) years at Wartburg, the rest of us are looking ahead at what is left of our college careers.

I will return in the fall for my last year at Wartburg College. In some aspects this makes me joyful, but in others it makes me sad. I remember who I was when I first walked into the Centennial Complex three years ago and I look at who I am as I prepare to leave New Grossmann. I realize the mountains I have climbed with the help of everyone who has crossed my path.

Everyone has been talking about the scandals that have rocked Wartburg this year and how the college is being looked upon in a different light, but maybe we need to stop dwelling on what has happened and move on.

Move on to the excellent experiences we will receive next year and the years after. Move on to the internships we will complete. Move on to the jobs we will receive. As we prepare to say good-bye to old friends and greet new ones, let us contemplate what Wartburg has and will give us.

Next year we will have a whole new class of friends and new faculty members. We will have Founder's Hall (old Grossmann to many of us) back in action. We will have the friendships that we have made. We will have new opportunities available to us.

As you end this year and begin to look toward next year, think of the things that you always wanted to try and try them.

I tried something new this year and gained more than just a new activity. Playing rugby has earned me a team of life-long friends, memories that will forever bring a smile to my face and a sport that will always be a part of my life. Without Wartburg, I wouldn't have all of this.

So what is my point? Forget the past. It is over and it can't be reversed. Move on to the future, your future, here at Wartburg. Try something daring, something new. Make the most out of the four years you have at Wartburg because there will never be another experience like this.

Carrie Lawton,  
editor

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## Column

## United we must stand

wart (wôrt) n. 2. An unsightly blemish.

burg (bûrg) n. 1. A town or community.

As the most humbling year of Wartburg College in recent memory comes to a close, it seems appropriate to contemplate all we have been through as well as the challenges which remain.

It is safe to say that 1996-97 was not a banner year for Wartburg College. Much has occurred that will not easily be resolved.

The scandals and tragedies we have faced will not easily be forgotten; nor, in some cases, forgiven.

This is not the time for hand-wringing and finger-pointing, however. It is not the time for tut-tutting or head-shaking. As Abraham Lincoln remarked on the eve of the Civil War: "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

It is time for the members of

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Columnist**

this house we call Wartburg to stand together and fight for the values we as members of the human race as well as this college must cherish: trust, respect, tolerance and community.

It is impossible to rate these values in relation to one another; each is essential in achieving harmony among ourselves.

There are some, however, who maintain that we will never achieve harmony. Whether be it God's supposed condemnation of homosexuals, or the racism and bigotry inherent within the "system," there are those who believe that we will never span the gaps

between us or heal the wounds that separate us. And the sad truth is that these people may be right. Regardless of the verity of their claims, however, this is one truth that we cannot and must not allow ourselves to accept.

Instead we must take a stand to strengthen the ties that bind us. We are all part of this little community we call Wartburg. Rather than watch the walls of our castle crumble around us, we must build bridges across the differences that separate us.

As members of a college community and a larger society, it is incumbent upon each and every one of us to take the action necessary to build an atmosphere of trust and respect here at Wartburg. It is not someone else's problem, it is both yours and mine. Each of us must do our part to build and enrich our community-for our little burg can ill afford to suffer any more of these warts.

## About

## What is the stupidest thing you

*"The stupidest thing I saw was people trying to declare spring Outfly by walking up to President Vogel's house."*

—Julie Lickfelt,  
junior



*"Racially motivated fights."*

—John Bergman,  
sophomore



## Column

## Heat brings frustration

The weather is warming up, and students are getting ready to leave the Wartburg campus.

The weather is REALLY warming up, so why aren't the air conditioners in our housing units turned on?

Recently there has been a lot of tension on campus in accordance with Residential Life. Most of this tension concerns the housing sign-ups and looking for places to live after coming back from a semester abroad.

But, darn it, I paid how much extra to live in the Manors to have air conditioning? I am beginning to think that the extra money I paid was to clean my own bathroom. Or did I pay that much extra to be awakened earlier than I care to by a vacuum pounding down my door?

Do you sleep in a loft? It is SURE HOT up there at night ... aren't you starting to sweat just reading this article, thinking of what you have to crawl up into tonight, knowing you may wake up in a puddle of sweat?

TURN ON MY AIR CONDITIONER!!!!!!!!!!!!

Oh yeah, the air conditioner in Chellevold is BROKEN! At least give us BIG oscillating fans, please!

I am glad that Wartburg is taking our security into account with all the "bad stuff" that has been going on, but it is becoming highly necessary for us to prop the doors open. Yes, even after 7 p.m.

I begin to question the Res. Life department at this institution when things like this occur, and I hear that they aren't going to turn the air on at all. Frankly, I get very upset!

Krista  
Klockentager

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**Coollest Columnist  
Tell It Like It Is**

Maybe we shouldn't pay as much this term? Maybe our costs should be cut as low as Clinton Hall or The Complex. Maybe I am stirring up some thoughts that could lead to problems that never existed before?

After all, we DO clean our own bathrooms, and we only have ONE tiny little window that opens up to let any sort of air in; we're lucky if the breeze is blowing our way.

Let me get off this topic for now, I am obviously very mentally disturbed with it all.

Now the issue with coming back to campus after a semester abroad comes into play as the year comes to a close. People that aren't going to be here for the Fall Term realize that they actually do have to come back here.

Where do they get stuck? You would think that since this is a small private institution, one that encourages us to take advantage of these opportunities, they would help us out a bit in these situations.

Nope. That one word is the simple "solution" to this problem that many students face.

"Where will I live when I come back from Wartburg West?" If you plan to take a semester abroad or leave for an internship, I encourage you, even as first year students, to start figuring out what your housing situation will be when you come back. It is a nightmare.

This is a topic that will more than likely be elaborated on sometime next year. I will be enjoying myself in Ernst House ... secure in my room that I DIDN'T squat. Thank you very much.

Column

# Graduation: the true goal

May is the season of graduation in the United States. This season reminds me of the graduation in my country Japan. Japanese college graduation is usually held in March. Recently many Japanese college students could not graduate due to lack of graduation credits. This is happening at the famous universities like Meiji, Waseda and Keio ("Ivy-League" in Japan).

This is not because Japanese students are inferior to other students but because of the education system. It is generally said that Japanese universities are hard to enter but easy to stay and graduate.

In a sense, entering good universities is a "goal" of Japanese people's life because the goal promises the quality of life in future: good jobs and salaries after graduation. Some people start studying hard for college entrance exams when they are in elementary schools.

Izumi  
Yamashita

Columnist

After passing college entrance exams, a lot of students begin freeing themselves from study — simply not studying hard at college — because only entering good universities is their goal, and they do not know what to do after that.

In my opinion, people who entered good universities in Japan are only elite when they studied hard to pass entrance exams. Of course, I know many friends who are studying hard at Japanese colleges, but studying hard before entering colleges and playing hard after that is a tendency among Japanese college students.

In Japan (especially in famous Japanese colleges), it is common to get jobs before graduation. As I

mentioned above, the number of students who get jobs but cannot graduate from colleges is increasing.

Well, I think it is their fault that they cannot graduate due to lack of required credits, but for the students who are offered jobs, it is a serious problem. Considering this situation, some universities decided to make potions to let students graduate. For example, one university changed some required credits for graduation to elective credits.

I wonder if this could be happening in the United States. Maybe not. Seniors at Wartburg College will soon graduate with knowledge of their field of study and experiences at the school for four years. Graduating from colleges is not supposed to be the end or goal of your life but the beginning of your future — "commencement". Seniors: congratulations on your graduation!

Letter

## Alum/parent question newspaper coverage

I would like to respond to Annette's editorial in the May 5 edition of the Wartburg *Trumpet*. I have noticed a change myself with the bad publicity that Wartburg has received this year. It does make one question as to whether Wartburg remains a campus of community as it has always been known to be.

Wartburg takes great pride in its ability to form community and that is one of the very special aspects of Wartburg. My husband and I graduated from Wartburg in 1968, our daughter graduated from Wartburg in 1992 and our son will be attending next fall. Wartburg is very special to us and the reason is "the Wartburg Community."

Part of the problem with the bad publicity could be with the *Trumpet* itself. I realize you have an obligation to your readers to print what is happening on campus. But you do not have any obligation to print negative news on the front page in large and bold letters. Every issue this year has had negative news on the front page and there have been times that I did not even want to read the entire paper.

The *Trumpet* goes to alumni and parents and we would like to know what the band and choir tours were like, what students are doing for May Term, what internships students have done etc. There are many wonderful news stories about students and campus events or alumni that could take center stage rather than theft, vandalism and fights. We want to hear the good things about Wartburg. You have the responsibility of doing some public relations work as well as reporting the facts. Maybe we can all work together to keep Wartburg the great place that it is!

Marilyn Bartelt,  
'68

## + Face have seen on campus this year?

\*Compiled by Nathan Friesen

"I think it was stupid that National Condom Day had more significance than Martin Luther King Day did."  
—Jess Ankney, sophomore



"The computer theft. It was just really dumb they did for that reason, to prove a point. Who breaks the law to prove a point?"

—Jamie Plueger, freshman

Column

# Graduating? U Bet!

College of our brightest days, unto thee we chant our praise.

We met in September, 1993. Since, the changes in our campus and personalities are innumerable.

Our big orientation dance was in front of Old Main on our first night here. We survived Nasty. We lived in Grossmann (the original), Clinton and the Complex with (gasp!) sophomores and juniors who showed us the ropes and became friends.

Like all freshmen, we traveled in herds, and bonded during trips to the Establishment and Saturday night movies.

We watched as the campus changed. They took out a street, built a new dorm, created a Chapel, opened the CTC and wallpapered the Caf.

We were here for phone scandals, tenure conflicts, high school students shooting at Joe's-goers from the Comm Arts building, carbon monoxide scares and theft.

N'er thy name shall cease to be a most happy memory.

Our time at Wartburg has been filled with transitions. Three football coaches led our gridders. Two band directors conducted a group

Lis  
Erickson

Pinch Hitting

that grew each year. The older we got, the better the OP was, and the less we cared how we looked at Joe's. Two men's basketball coaches entered Knights Gymnasium. Friar Tuck's closed. Countless numbers of professors came and went. A baseball team that won 10 games two years ago made it to the NCAA Regionals this year.

Thine the spirit we love best, finest in the East or West.

We have left our mark on the school in leadership roles, in and out of the classroom.

We have, among us, 30 percent of the early-admission class to the University of Iowa Medical School, the only two-time national champion in Wartburg wrestling history, education majors landing prime jobs across the state, admits into excellent grad schools across the nation and great internships.

Then, of course, there are those of us who will move home in a

week to continue our job search.

As time moved through our years here, we survived the good and bad that life and Wartburg threw at us.

After Sunday, we take on a new role. We need to realize our obligation to the place we've called home since 1993.

As alumni, our support needs to come from not only financial activities, including Challenge '97, but, more importantly, student support. Keep in touch with Wartburg. Stay in contact with those who succeed you in your leadership roles; the mentoring process you've begun does not end when you cross the stage.

While our lives at Wartburg are over, our lives with Wartburg are not.

To graduate from a place like this, even with the rough year we've had, is something special. Though it's recently taken a beating, we have a sense of community that is not present in other schools. We are very lucky to have this school, the support network we've built and each other.

As we sing with loyalty, Wartburg College, hail to thee.

Letter

## Actions toward visitor cowardly

On Saturday, May 10, I was a guest at a party held in a house adjacent to the Wartburg College campus. The party was attended by Wartburg College students and alumni, and I attended in my capacity as the manager of a rock band hired to perform at the party. I had been using my camera and flash to take pictures of the band members before and during their performance.

Around midnight, a fight broke out among some of the guests, who moved outside. I don't know how the fight started, but racism was evident: A group of white men were fighting a group of black men. The whites outnumbered the blacks. One black man lay on the ground in pain, and was kicked by a white man. Another black man was being chased by a group of white men.

I used my camera to take two shots, hoping the presence of the camera would make the fight disperse. As I was walking away, I was assaulted by three white men who pushed me against a car and forcibly took my camera from me, breaking the flash and destroying the film. My personal property damages from the assault amount to the flash, the camera's flash shoe, the shoulder strap, the film, and the pictures I had

taken. Though one of the men who assaulted me told me his name — as I reported in a statement to the Waverly police — I elected not to press charges.

Clearly, fear was the principal motivation for the assault. Whether or not the men who assaulted me were among those who were fighting, destroying the film demonstrated irrational fear of the simple truth. It was cowardly to victimize an observer whose photographic record would have preserved the truth and protected the innocent.

As an educated individual, I accept and responsibly deal with my own racist tendencies in thought and action. While acts of violence have no place in any community, I had hoped it impossible that violence motivated by racism and fear would surface among the supposedly enlightened student body at a private liberal arts college in a small Iowa town.

Conviction on felony charges would be fitting punishment for those responsible for the fighting and the assault on me. If any of the guilty are Wartburg College students, they should certainly be expelled.

Jim Kropa

# Memories ... a tribute to the class of '97

## Remember When ...

Remember the first day of the first year of the first time in your life you started your journey to getting old ...

Remember the roommates, the fears, the tears, the nerves, setting up the room, taking it apart and then rearranging it all over again ...

Remember those first friends you shared your fears with, who soon became acquaintances ...

Remember those neighbors and classmates, who ended up becoming your closest friends ...

Remember holding back the tears on those days when you just wanted to be home again, to feel safe again ...

Remember those days you felt you couldn't relate to ANYONE, you felt you had no place, and just calling home would make it worse ...

Remember telling friends the deepest secrets of your life, and knowing they'd remain secrets ...

Remember pulling all nighters, and never thinking they were as bad as they sounded until you actually lived through one ...

Remember how over breaks you had the chance to step back and really see the friends you made and the memories shared, and you were satisfied ...

Remember the times, never forget them, even the little ones can hold the greatest meaning ...

Remember to never lose touch with those friends you've made here at college, because you have all changed and grown enormously together and that is something very sacred to be shared ...

Remember you are only here for a short while, the time flies before you realize it, so make it last, make it memorable, make it the best time of your life, and make the best memories that you can carry with you for the rest of your days ...

Remember this doesn't last forever so never let a day go by without living it to the fullest ...

Remember to never let a day go by without a laugh ...

Remember to love the ones you love, life isn't forever ...

Remember the laughs, let them echo in the back of your mind ...

And always remember, when you leave here you are leaving with much more than you walked in here with.

—Anonymous



**SENIOR MEMORIES—** President Robert Vogel congratulates Mark Haussmann and Heather Fink (left) on being crowned 1996 Homecoming King and Queen. Coronation took place between the shows of Kastle Kapers. Seniors Tim Stockman and Doug Carlson (below), clad in their togas, await the declaration of Outfly. KWWL's Gary Sarnoff was the honorary guest who declared Outfly.

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**"It is by chance we met, by choice that we became friends."**

—Anonymous

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## Women's rugby — a smashing success

by Carrie Lawton  
Editor

Wartburg's women's rugby club finished its inaugural season in fine fashion Saturday, May 10 at Grinnell College, stunning the Pioneers 69-5 and raising their record to 4-9.

"It was a fun year watching the women get better every day with enthusiasm," said Coach Craig Ford.

With each team only fielding eight players, the match at Grinnell was all about running. Wartburg dominated.

Kate Swanson ran in the team's first of 11 tries. Swanson went on to score four tries in the match, followed by Christi Wickre who scored three.

Also aiding in scoring were Becky Zinn and Carrie Lawton both with one and Kerrie Larson with two.

Zinn also nailed seven of 11 point-after-attempts.

The weekend prior to the Grinnell match the Knights took fourth place honors at the All Iowa Tournament in Iowa Falls.

Tying for the top honors in the women's bracket were University of Northern Iowa (UNI), Iowa State University (ISU), Luther College, Central College and Wartburg.

The women began the day against ISU, losing 19-14. Larson started the scoring for Wartburg in the first half, followed by a point-after attempt by Zinn. Collecting the second and final try for the women was Lawton with Zinn again nailing the point-after attempt.

The loss pitted the Knights against Central College where the women had a stellar performance, dominating the Flying Dutch 24-5.

"It was a test of the girls' rugby skills and their composure and they all got As," said Ford.

Swanson, Lawton, Larson and Krista Klockentager turned in tries with Zinn hitting two of four point-after attempts.

"The backs clicked well. I have never seen them pass as well as they did," Coach Jeremiah Johnson said.

"The forwards did a good job

of getting the ball out to the backs."

Zinn was nominated for MVP honors by the referee for her play during the match.

The Knights' final game of the tournament had the team facing ISU a second time. But this time around, the Knights couldn't keep the Cyclones down, losing 25-12.

With the completion of the season, the Knights are already gearing up for fall.

New officers and a captain were elected, fundraisers were set-up and recruiting was discussed.

The Knights lose five players to graduation: Becky Zinn, Kate Swanson, Erin Larson, Jenny Miller and Becky Harris. With the losses, the Knights will be looking for additional players in the fall. Johnson said that anyone is welcome, no matter how far into the season they start.

The team has made leaps and bounds throughout the season with many of the players starting from scratch.

"The women knew the game



Photo by Aaron Loan

**WOMEN'S RUGBY TEAM**—The women's rugby team at the All Iowa tournament. Front Row: Kerrie Larson, Amanda Dreyer, Krista Klockentager, Erin Larson, Carissa Becker, Sara Larson, Becky Zinn Middle Row: Jess Ankney, Becky Harris, Gina Hibbard, Carrie Lawton Back Row: Elise Watson, Tracy Dop, Christi Wickre, Liberty Lausterer, Jenny Miller, Kate Swanson, Lori Carden.

really well by the first match, so there wasn't much difference in their play throughout the season," Johnson said. "The backs passing improved and the for-

wards improved their rucks."

"The greatest thing our girls did was measuring their success by improving, not by winning and losing," said Ford.

## Intramurals get face lift

by Greg Berry  
Sports Writer

Nothing to do on the weekends? Intramural director Blake Miller disagrees.

Football, golf, tennis and volleyball are among the sports that are currently offered.

Miller wants to add several sports and tournaments to the schedule next year.

Pickleball, indoor football, rollerblading and fishing top the list.

Although some suggest activities such as mud rugby, Miller says the implementation of these sports "depends on liability

and what the school will cover."

Over 650 students participate in Wartburg's intramurals program. Some participate just for fun, while others are serious competitors.

When Miller arrived at Wartburg, intramurals focused solely on competition. However, Miller is looking to produce more low-impact activities for those seeking fun.

Many of the present-day activities are co-sponsored. Miller has worked with clubs and organizations here on campus.

Outside organizations will also co-sponsor events

next year, including the Heart Association who will sponsor a 3-on-3 basketball tournament.

The American Cancer Society is another outside organization Miller hopes to work with in the coming years.

Another addition, along with everyday activities, Miller is looking to make next year is a home page. With his office tucked deeply into Players Theater, Miller does not get many visitors and he feels a page will help exposure.

Next year Miller will be assisted by Kim Luhman, Jeff Sheertz and Eric Larson.

## Miller ends rumors

by Derek Miller  
Sports Editor

Many rumors have been laid to rest this week as Head Wrestling Coach Jim Miller announced his decision to remain at Wartburg.

Miller, who has led the Knights to a National Championship in 1996 and a second place national finish in 1997, ended the rumors of his leaving Wartburg for the University of Northern Iowa.

"Wartburg made me feel more wanted," said Miller.

There were many things that impacted Miller's decision to stay at Wartburg.

He said that the relationship that he has with the wrestlers here was one

of the main reasons to stay.

"The dreams of the kids here are just as important as the dreams of any other program," said Miller.

"I feel like I'm a part of Wartburg. We've built a family."

Miller also was not prepared to give up the relationship that he has made with the faculty and administration.

Miller's wife and 10-year old son also played a large role in making his decision to stay in Waverly.

A collective sigh of relief has been heard across of the Wartburg wrestling community after hearing of Miller's decision.

"We are really happy as a college and as a wrestling

team," said Athletic Director Gary Grace.

"Jim has the chance to win 15 or 20 conference championships and a few more national championships," said Grace.

"He is building a legacy of wrestling excellence here at Wartburg."

"I am excited about being here and I won't look back on my decision. I know that I made the right one," said Miller.

"Coach Miller is our program," said sophomore wrestler Josh Coleman.

Miller has been head wrestling coach since 1990. Prior to that, he was the top assistant coach at Northern Iowa.

Miller led the Knights to their fifth consecutive Iowa Conference championship last season, a program record.



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# SPORTS



## Evansville reclaims Simmons

by Kris Erickson  
Sports Editor

For the second year in a row, Wartburg College is searching for a basketball coach.

Marty Simmons resigned as the head men's basketball and golf coach. Simmons decided to return to his alma mater, the University of Evansville, a Division I school belonging to the the Missouri Valley Conference.

He accepted the head assistant basketball coaching position in what was the toughest decision, by far, he ever had to make, said Simmons.

Simmons full-time assistant coaching job includes duties such as scouting new teams and recruiting new players.

This is a different position than what Simmons held before coming to Wartburg.

Simmons played basketball at Evansville and was an assistant coach at the University of Evansville for six years before accepting the head coaching job here at Wartburg.

"Evansville is the only place I would have left Wartburg for. Its my alma mater, I know most of the players and my family is close by," said Simmons.

Even though Simmons was at Wartburg for only a year, he says the new coach will definitely have something to work from.

Simmons expects most of the players he recruited to still attend Wartburg in the fall.

"There is still a bright future for Wartburg," said Simmons.

"Simmons taught us a lot and I think we'll still be pretty good next year," said sophomore B.J. Supple.

Wartburg will have to search for a head coach for the second year in a row.

For some players, this means they will have been under three different coaches in as many years.

"This is not what I expected when I came to Wartburg, but it is something we will have to deal with," said Supple.

Addressing the players he had gotten close to over the past year, concerning the move, was the toughest thing he had ever had to do in his life, said Simmons.

"I have grown so close to

these guys; hopefully I wasn't just a coach to them, but a friend too," said Simmons.

"They were the best group of guys in my coaching career."

Wartburg was Simmons' first taste of Division III athletics and he loved everything it has to offer.

"The kids involved, being a teacher to them and the realtionships you are able to build is great," said Simmons.

"Wartburg is a special place and I am lucky to be a part of it. So many people have helped me in so many ways; it is unbelievable," said Simmons.

"There is no guarantee this is the right step or the better option, but it is what we decided."



Photo by Nathan Friesen

**A KNIGHT NO LONGER**— Former Head Men's Basketball Coach Marty Simmons during a practice earlier this winter. Simmons accepted the full-time head assistant coaching position at his alma mater, the University of Evansville.

## Baseball team bows out of National Tourney

by Jill Benson  
Staff Writer

Lifting a little weight off his shoulders, not to mention his head, Coach Joel Holst adds an Iowa Conference Championship to his block of victories.

According to Coach Holst, about three weeks ago, Assistant Coach Randy Snider told the team that if they win the Iowa Conference Championship, he would shave his head.

Obviously the motivation worked, because the Wartburg coach is now sporting the "Michael Jordan look."

Holst has been coaching in the Iowa Conference for five years. When he came to Wartburg, he knew "that a championship wasn't going to take long at all."

Winning the championship was the team's number one goal for the season. Surpassing that goal a little earlier than expected, was a welcomed surprise.

"Once you achieve something, it is tougher to stay on top, rather than getting there," said Holst.

Holst is excited that he has a young team and virtually the entire roster will be returning. The Knights will only be losing one senior starter, Brian Nelson.

In the Division III National Central Regional Tournament, Wartburg lost its first game against Carthege, Wis., on Thursday followed by



Photo by Kris Erickson

**A NEW LOOK**— Brian Eastman and Dan Grawe sit with cleanly shaven Head Baseball Coach Joel Holst at a party to celebrate the team's Iowa Conference Championship.

their second loss to Aurora, Ill. on Friday.

With a score tied at 2-2, and the bases loaded in the bottom of the ninth, an infield hit gave Carthege the winning run.

The final 3-2 score left the Knights with a heartfelt loss.

In the second game, 40-mile per hour winds did not stop Aurora from smacking a few dingers out of the park.

In the first two innings, Aurora's 7-0 lead left the Knight's fighting back.

"It was a really bad start. We were not ready to play," said Holst.

The Knights battled

back, managing 11 runs by the end of the game, but catching up the whole game, they fell short of Aurora's 22 runs.

Double elimination sent the Knights home without the national title, however, in setting their goals for next year, they are aiming for the College World Series.

"They had a very competitive fall, everything just fell into place this year," said Holst.

Will Holst be keeping the new hair-do permanently? "I think the wife likes it and I might even keep it for the summer, he said."

## Nine events qualify for track nationals

by Michelle Van Dorn  
Sports Writer

On a cold and windy night, it was Dion Braet who blew by his opponents at the track meet at LaCrosse, WI last week.

Braet gained significant ground in the national rankings during his 5K race. With a mile to go, only Braet and Craig Sandbulte, from University of Minnesota Duluth, were left in the hunt for first.

Braet won the same battle early in the year. Sandbulte let Braet pass on the inside and from there, Braet went on to win it in 14 minutes and 50 seconds. His automatic qualifying time ranks him fifth in the nation.

"We knew the pace would be there for him," Head Coach Steve Johnson said.

Plagued with illness, Braet has had to cut recent practices short. Johnson was stunned at his qualifying time.

"We just wanted a good solid performance from him," Johnson said, "We weren't even thinking of qualifying."

In the last meet for the athletes to qualify for the national meet the mens 4x400 relay team of Josh Wedemeier, Trevor Shannon, Chad Williams and Chris Shannon automatically qualified.

Joel Rochford in the shot put also automatically qualified this weekend.

Chris Shannon is currently ranked second in the nation in the 110 high hurdles and has automatically qualified. He also has provisionally qualified in the triple jump.

On the women's side, Trina Steines' time of 2:14.17 qualified her in the 800-meter run.

Fourth at the national indoor championships, Dawn Digmann is ranked seventh in the shot put with a throw of 43 feet 6 inches.

The women's mile relay team of Jeanette Olson, Steines, Nikki Kimball and Leah Lenhart automatically qualified. The relay team is ranked eighth.

The 4x100 relay team's time is 49.07. Automatic qualifying is set at 48.8, a time Wartburg ran last year. Kimball, Lenhart and Barb White returned from last year's team and added Danielle Moore to the line up.

Amy Sullivan's throw of 41'3" ranks her 25th in the nation. Olson has automatically qualified in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 1:03.97

Some injuries have slowed the Knights at the end of the season. Steve Boblenz is just coming back from a pulled hamstring, and Kimball has had prob-

lems with her knee and foot.

"Nikki is nursing a sore leg but is still running well right now," Johnson said.

With conference being his first meet back, Rochford's throw of 168' was good enough for sec-

### Automatic Qualifiers

**110-meter high hurdles**  
Chris Shannon  
**800-meter run**  
Trina Steines  
**Shot Put**  
Joel Rochford  
**5000-meter run**  
Dion Braet  
**Men's 4x400**  
Chris Shannon  
Trevor Shannon  
Josh Wedemeier  
Chad Williams  
**Shot Put**  
Dawn Digman  
**Women's 4x400**  
Nikki Kimball  
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**Women's 4x100**  
Nikki Kimball  
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**400-meter hurdles**  
Jeanette Olson

### Provisional Qualifiers

**Triple Jump**  
Chris Shannon  
**Shot Put**  
Amy Sullivan